ported formulations like Adriyamicin and polio vaccine are being received reportedly due to their scarc$_e$ availability in th$_e$ international market.

Losses incurred by State Electricity Boards

1901. SHRI LAL K. ADVANI: SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR; SHRI SHANKER SINH VA-GHELA;

Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) th$_e$ accumulated losses incurred by State Electricity Boards during each of the last three years $_a$nd the current year.

(b)i what has been the performance of the various State Electricity Boards in th$_e$ latest year as regards delays in project implementation and their high costs, low plant-load factor, transmission and distribution losses, levels of consumption of coal and oil, excessive auxiliary consumption over-staffing, surplus inventory, industrial relations and Jack of financial discipline;

(c) what are the names of States where consumers are regularly receiving reliable power supply within the accepted norms of valtag$_e$ and frequency; and

(d) what are the remedial measures suggested by the Andhra Pradesh Stat$_e$ Electricity Board Chairman in January last in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI-MAT$_4$ SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) As per available information the total cumulative losses *al* the State Electricity Boards as o$_n$ 31st March,' 1985, 31st March, 1986 and 31st March, 1987 have been estimated at about Rs. 1647.8 crores, Rs. 2181.50 crores snd Rs. 2748.40 crores respectively after taking into account rural electrifica-tio$_n$ subsidies as provided in the Board accounts.

(b) The information is being collected and will b$_e$ laid on th$_e$ Table of the House.

(c) Reliability of power supply within acceptable limits of voltage and frequency depends on many factors such as transmission & distribution system$_i$ reactiv$_e$ compensation, load and generation balance in th$_e$ integrated power systems at all points of time etc. Even within the State system voltag$_e$ conditions may vary in different areas. All efforts ar$_e$ being made by the Stat$_e$ Authorities to keep the voltage and frequency parameters within safe limits to th$_e$. extent possible. To further improve the quality of power supply, actio$_n$ is being taken by way of strengthening transmission and distribution systems, effective preventive maintenance, provision of required reactive compensation, enforcing grid discipline etc.

(d) In the Seminar organised by the National Council if Power Utilities in January, 1988, Chairman, APSEB made various suggestions which include increasing $_r$oie for Central Power Generating Corporations, need for a uniform tariff throughout tb$_e$ country, increased autonomy fo$_r$ the state Electricity Boa'rd^ separate organisation for power generation transmission fi om distribution, introduction of" uniform agricultural tariff throughout the country and supply of energy required by the agricultural sector from th$_e$ Central Generating Stations at that tariff etc.

Appointment of ED Employees in Clerical Cadre

1902. SHRI LAL K. ADVANI: Will th$_e$ Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state-.

(a) whether there is any provision fo$_r$ making appointments against the vacancies of open quota in the departmental examination of the clerical i respect of those ED employees who have completed one year's service.

(b) if so, what is the present number of such vacancies and also the number of appointments of the ED ^employees made against such vacancies during the last three years; year-wise and in the current year; and

(c) whether Government propose to fill up such posts from ED employees in future?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY AND THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise,

Hydel Power Generation 'i'af^els

1903. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KID-WAI: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state

(a) whether hydeJ power generation during October—December, 1987 fell short of the target; if s«> to what extent; and

(b) whether Government have taken steps to increase the power generation from thermal power stations to make Soocl tne shortfall; if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI-MATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) During the period October—December, 1987, the hydel power generation was about 10380~MIJ as against a target of about 15004 MU resulting in & shortfall of about 4624 MU.

(b) Various steps were taken to increase the power generation from thermal stations to offset the shortfall in hydro generation. The measures taken include re-scheduling of planned maintenance taking into account their current performance, bringing back units under forced outage and planned maintenance within the shortest possible time, arranging additional quantities of coal for increased thermal generation, etc. As a result of these measures, the total Thermal generation in the country during 1987-88 is expected to be about 6 billion units more than the target.

Completion of Tnein Dam Project

1904. SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) what is the target date for the completion of Thein Dam and whether the work is going on as per schedule, and

(to) what was the outlay initially made for the project and what is likely to be final cost involved?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHR1-MATi SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) The first unit of Thein Dam Project is scheduled to be commissioned in September, 1992 and the remaining three units at intervals of two months each thereafter. The work on the project is going on round the dock to commission the project as Per schedule.

(b) Thein Dam Project was originally sanctioned in April, J 982, for installation of 4 X 120 MW at an estimated cost of Rs. 242,32 crores. In May 1986, the installed capacity was increased to 4 X i50 MW and the estimated cost of the Project was revised to Rs. 760.00 crores. As per the latest revised estimate furnished by the project authorities, the cost of the project ** likely to go up to Rs. 952 crores.

Target for the self-employment Scheme

1905. SHRj SUBAS MOHANTY: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) what was the target fixed tor 1986-87 under the self employment scheme for the educated unemployed youth in Orissa;

(b) how much amount was earmarked during the years 1985-86 and 1986-87 to implement the scheme in the State;

(c) whether Government are aware that some of the Banks had not entertained the applications of the unem-